IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

SPARK THERAPEUTICS, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v. : C.A. No. 21-00705-WCB

BLUEBIRD BIO, INC.,

Defendant.

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO SUPPLEMENT THE RECORD IN RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT'S EXPERT SURREPLY REPORT

Pursuant to Paragraph 6 of the Procedural Order D.I. 47 of this Court, Spark

Therapeutics, Inc. ("Spark") hereby moves to object to the sufficiency and weight of sur-reply expert report of Dr. Larry Chiagouris (D.I. 45) submitted by defendant bluebird bio ("defendant" or "bluebird bio"), and to supplement the record to admit additional public domain evidence that (i) provides context or corrects allegations made by the sur-reply report regarding the distinctiveness of Spark, and (ii) supplements plaintiff's use of the Spark marks¹ in Delaware.

- A. The Three Charts Provided in the Sur-Reply Expert Report Lack Important Information and Context Necessary to Evaluate the Distinctiveness of Spark's Marks.
- 1. Dr. Chiagouris provides three charts in his sur-reply report regarding third-party usage of Spark marks, each purporting to show that Spark's common law marks are not distinctive, but rather "part of a large crowd of similar companies using the same words or variation on the word Spark." D.I. 45 ¶ 15, 16, 17. These charts are misleading and lack the

[&]quot;Spark marks," as it is used throughout this motion, refers to the four marks that Spark identifies in its More Definite Statement (D.I. 41), at 1-2.

information necessary to properly evaluate Dr. Chiagouris's comments.² To provide necessary context, Spark moves to supplement the record as follows:

- a. In a chart titled "Delaware Corporate Names" (D.I. 45, ¶ 15), Dr. Chiagouris provides a list of "Delaware corporate names employing some version of Spark and registered by a healthcare, educational and life science company" to show that the Spark marks are not distinctive. D.I. 45, ¶ 15. Spark moves to introduce evidence (Exhibits 1 through 7, attached hereto) showing that, of the fourteen corporate names identified in this chart, two appear to belong to the plaintiff, five are not associated with active corporations, and others are companies where plaintiff, after a reasonable effort, was not able to find examples of activity. For the convenience of the Court, we have created a demonstrative summarizing this information, which we have included and seek to admit as Exhibit 1.
- b. In a chart titled "Website Names" (D.I. 45, ¶ 16), Dr. Chiagouris provides to a list of "presently operating business websites employing some version of the word Spark and owned by a healthcare, educational and life science company" to

Spark objects not just to the weight of Bluebird's expert sur-reply report, but also to its admissibility, and particularly with regard to Section A of the sur-reply report. In Section A, paragraphs 6 and 12, of his sur-reply report, Dr. Chiagouris offers an improper legal opinion on the definition of what "[a] common law trademark" is and requires, and whether Spark made a showing sufficient to establish common-law legal rights. *See*, *e.g.*, *Berckeley Inv. Group, Ltd. v. Colkitt*, 455 F.3d 195, 217 (3d Cir. 2006) (finding it improper for an expert to opine as to "what [is] required under the law, or whether the defendant complied with the Act.") In the remainder of his Section A, at paragraphs 8-12, without applying any specialized knowledge or methodologies, Dr. Chiagouris merely, and improperly, identifies evidence that he says is not in the record, which is not proper expert testimony, but attorney argument supporting Bluebird's litigation position. *See*, *e.g.*, *XpertUniverse*, *Inc. v Cisco Sys.*, No. 09-157-RGA, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 31327, at *12 ("To the extent [the expert's] opinions constitute unfiltered regurgitation of what other people told him . . . , the 'expert' testimony adds nothing and is therefore unhelpful . . . ").

- support his conclusion that Spark's common law marks are not distinctive in Delaware. D.I. 45, ¶ 16. Dr. Chiagouris provides no evidence connecting these companies, nor their websites, to Delaware specifically. Spark moves to introduce and admit Exhibit 8 (attached hereto) into evidence, to point the Court to additional evidence, already on the record, provide that three of the nine identified websites belong to the plaintiff, and the six others do not relate to gene therapy.
- c. In a chart titled "Common Law Trademark Names" (D.I. 45, ¶ 17), Dr. Chiagouris provides to a list of "US trademark applications and registrations employing some version of the work Spark and directly related to the fields of healthcare, educational and life sciences" to prove that the Spark marks are not distinctive in Delaware. D.I. 45, ¶ 17. Spark moves to introduce and admit evidence (Exhibits 9 through 12, attached hereto) showing that, of the nine applications identified, Spark owns one, has opposed four others, and the remaining applications appear not related to gene therapies or related educational services. For the convenience of the court, we have created a chart summarizing this information, which we have included and seek to admit as Exhibit 9.
- B. Record Evidence Relating to Hematologists in Delaware and to Other Uses of the Spark Marks in Delaware.
- 2. The sur-reply expert report does not respond to Spark's position that it has established national and Delaware common law trademark rights in the Spark marks because, *inter alia*, hematologists generally are familiar with the Spark marks used in connection with gene therapy. Spark has established that it is a well-known brand among hematologists generally. Levy Decl. (D.I. 20), at ¶¶ 8-10, Philip Decl (D.I. 21), at ¶¶ 7-26; Levy Second Decl. (D.I. 33), at ¶¶ 2-4; *see also* Gallagher Decl. (D.I. 34), at Exhibit Q; McDonald Opening Expert Report, at ¶

- 24. Further, it has shown that there are hematologists in Delaware, Gallagher Decl. (D.I. 34), Exhibit Q, including evidence of hematologists in Delaware that treat patients with both Sickle Cell Disease and Hemophilia. Gallagher Decl. (D.I. 34), Exhibit Q, at p. 2-9.
- 3. However, pursuant to paragraph 6 of Procedural Order D.I. 47, Spark moves to supplement the record to include additional examples of use of the Spark marks in Delaware, and additional examples of hematologists who practice in Delaware. These additional exhibits are attached hereto as Exhibits 13 through 21.

Exhibit 13	First Gene Therapy for Inherited Disease Gets FDA Approval (Delaware
	Public Media)
Exhibit 14	DelawareBio BioBuzz Newsletter (February 2021)
Exhibit 15	Delaware Bio May 2021 BioBreakfast Innovasting Bioscience to Improve
	Patient Lives
Exhibit 16	LUXTURNA test site, retina specialists, IRD - EPS is a Screening Site
Exhibit 17	DelawareBio Member Directory
Exhibit 18	Retina Specialsts in Delaware (19803) using Luxturna
Exhibit 19	Nemours Children's Health—Find a Doctor (Hematology)
Exhibit 20	ChristianaCare—Find a Provider (Hematology)
Exhibit 21	US News Health—Delaware Hematologists

Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, Spark respectfully requests that this Court supplement the record to include the evidence detailed herein and attached hereto as Exhibits 1 through 21.

Dated: January 12, 2022 /s/ Beth Moskow-Schnoll

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Exhibit 1

Delaware Corporate Name listed by Chiagouris (D.I. 45, p. 6)	Context
SparkDNA Inc.	• Entity dissolved effective August 11, 2014. (Exhibit 2)
Spark Therapeutics	• This appears to be a reference to plaintiff.
Spark Biotech, Inc.	• Entity void as of March 1, 2006. (Exhibit 3)
Spark Health Inc.	Not related to gene therapy— provides "concierge-level support to help you take full advantage of your Medicare benefits and achieve your health goals" (Exhibit 4)
SparkLIX Bio IT Corp.	• Entity void as of March 1, 2011. (Exhibit 5)
Sparkle Eye Health, Inc.	No use found.
SparkLife, LLC	No use found.
Spark Bio, Inc.	No use found.
Spark Healthtech, Inc.	No use found.
Spark Medical LLC	No use found.
Spark Education LP	• Entity voluntarily cancelled effective December 31, 2014. (Exhibit 6)
SparkinLife, Inc.	• Entity dissolved effective July 28, 2011. (Exhibit 7)
Sparkmedical.com	• This appears to be a reference to plaintiff.
Spark	Dr. Chiagouris has not identified any third party with "Spark" as its Delaware corporate name.

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Status Date: 8/11/2014

File Number: 5353025 Incorporation Date / Formation Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)

Entity Name: SPARKDNA INC

 Entity Kind:
 Corporation
 Entity Type:
 General

 Residency:
 Domestic
 State:
 DELAWARE

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TAX INFORMATION

Status:

<u>Last Annual Report Filed:</u> 2014 Tax Due: \$ 0

<u>Annual Tax Assessment:</u> \$ 350 Total Authorized Shares:

REGISTERED AGENT INFORMATION

Name: HARVARD BUSINESS SERVICES, INC.

Address: 16192 COASTAL HWY

City: LEWES County: Sussex
State: DE Postal Code: 19958

Phone: **302-645-7400**

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Date:

Entity Name: SPARK BIOTECH, INC.

Corporation **Entity Kind:** Entity Type: General

Domestic State: **DELAWARE** Residency:

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Status: Tax Status Date: 3/1/2006 **Delinquent**

TAX INFORMATION

Last Annual Report Filed: 2004 Tax Due: \$ 510495 Total Authorized 20000000 Annual Tax Assessment: \$ 510495 Shares:

REGISTERED AGENT INFORMATION

Name: **CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY**

Address: **251 LITTLE FALLS DRIVE**

WILMINGTON City: County: New Castle

State: DE Postal Code: 19808

302-636-5401 Phone:

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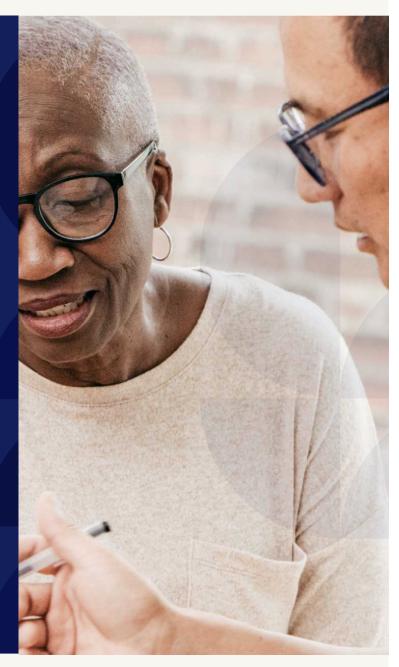
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Date:

Entity Name: SPARKLIX BIO IT CORP.

Corporation **Entity Kind:** Entity Type: General

Domestic DELAWARE Residency: State:

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Status: Status Date: 3/1/2011 Delinquent

TAX INFORMATION

Last Annual Report Filed: 0 Tax Due: \$ 525 Total Authorized 100 Annual Tax Assessment: \$ 525 Shares:

REGISTERED AGENT INFORMATION

Name: VCORP SERVICES, LLC (USE #9647341)

1013 CENTRE ROAD SUITE 403-B Address:

WILMINGTON City: County: New Castle State: DE Postal Code: 19805

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Entity Kind: Limited Partnership Entity Type: General

Residency: Domestic State: DELAWARE

Status: Voluntarily Cancelled Status Date: 12/31/2014

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Annual Tax Assessment: \$300

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REGISTERED AGENT INFORMATION

Name: NATIONAL REGISTERED AGENTS, INC.

Address: 1209 ORANGE STREET

City: WILMINGTON County: New Castle
State: DE Postal Code: 19801

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Date:

SPARKINLIFE, INC. **Entity Name:**

Corporation **Entity Kind:** Entity Type: General State: DELAWARE Residency: **Domestic**

Dissolved Status Date: 7/28/2011 Status:

TAX INFORMATION

Last Annual Report Filed: 2011 Tax Due: \$ 0 Total Authorized 1500 Annual Tax Assessment: \$ 75 Shares:

REGISTERED AGENT INFORMATION

THE COMPANY CORPORATION Name:

Address: **251 LITTLE FALLS DRIVE**

City: WILMINGTON County: New Castle

State: DE Postal Code: 19808

Phone: 302-636-5440

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Exhibit 8

Website Name identified by Chiagouris (D.I. 45, p. 7)	Context
SPARK Simons Powering Autism Research	Not related to gene therapy—charity devoted to Autism research (D.I. 29, p. 62)
SPARK ATSTANFORD	Not related to gene therapy—Stanford University research mentorship and funding program (D.I. 29, p. 63-64)
A SPARK	Not related to gene therapy—"Cerner Revenue Cycle experts" surfacing data to help make business decisions and providing automation tools (D.I. 29, p. 65-66)
Spark.	This is plaintiff's mark (D.I. 41, p. 1)
S P A R K HEALTHCARE	Not related to gene therapy—conducts case studies, mainly on cystic fibrosis, bronchiectasis, and GI health (D.I. 29, p. 65-66)
SPARK	This is plaintiff's mark (D.I. 41, p. 1)
SPARK	Not related to gene therapy—medical devices for opiod withdrawal (D.I. 29, p. 68)
SPARK Center PEDIATRICS - PRIMARY CARE	Not related to gene therapy—neighborhood pediatric center in Mattapan, Massachusetts (D.I. 29, p. 65)
SPARKMEDICAL.COM	This is plaintiff's mark (D.I. 41, p. 2)

Exhibit 9

Mark listed by identified by Chiagouris (D.I. 45, p. 7)	Owner	Context
SPARK	The Simons Foundation	Not related to gene therapy—charity devoted to Autism research (D.I. 29, p. 62)
ECF 29, at 75.		
SPARK	Allergan, Inc.	Not related to gene therapy—this application is limited to "medical aesthetics" (D.I. 29, p. 77)
ECF 29, at 77.		
SPARK	Memorial Health Services	 Spark opposed this application and they excluded gene therapy from the application (Exhibit 10)
ECF 29, at 81.	The Simons Foundation	Not related to gene therapy—charity
SPARK	The Simons I dundation	devoted to Autism research (D.I. 29, p. 62)
ECF 29, at 94.		-
SPARK	Spark Therapeutics, Inc.	• This is plaintiff's mark (D.I. 29, p. 95)
ECF 29, at 95.		
sparc	Sun Pharma	Spark opposed this application (Exhibit 11)
ECF 7, at 103.		
SPARC	Sun Pharma	• Spark opposed this application (Exhibit 11)
ECF 29, at 107.		
sparX Protein	Arcellx, Inc.	This application has been suspended due to a potential likelihood of confusion with Speak's application.
ECF 19, at 117.		confusion with Spark's application for SPARK THERAPEUTICS logo (and others) (Exhibit 12)
Sparo	Glaxo Group	Not related to gene therapy—the application is limited to "providing information relating to medical healthcare plans" (D.I. 29, at p. 113)
ECF 29, at 113.		



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The USPTO must receive applicant's response to this letter within <u>six months</u> of the issue date below or the application will be <u>abandoned</u>. Respond using the Trademark Electronic Application System (TEAS). A link to the appropriate TEAS response form appears at the end of this Office action.

Issue date: June 25, 2020

The referenced application has been reviewed by the assigned trademark examining attorney. Applicant must respond timely and completely to the issue(s) below. 15 U.S.C. §1062(b); 37 C.F.R. §§2.62(a), 2.65(a); TMEP §§711, 718.03.

SUMMARY OF ISSUES:

- Section 2(d) Refusal Likelihood of Confusion
- Prior Pending Application
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SECTION 2(d) REFUSAL - LIKELIHOOD OF CONFUSION

Applicant has applied for SPARX PROTEIN (SN: 88861317) for "Biological preparations for the treatment of cancer using polypeptides and genetically engineered cells; pharmaceutical preparations for targeting tissues based on select tissue markers and ligands; pharmaceutical preparations for the purpose of binding ligands using engineered polypeptides and receptors; pharmaceutical preparations for immunotherapy using polypeptides and genetically engineered cells; pharmaceutical preparations for immune cell therapy using polypeptides and genetically engineered cells."

Registration of the applied-for mark is refused because of a likelihood of confusion with the mark in U.S. Registration No. 5068997. Trademark Act Section 2(d), 15 U.S.C. §1052(d); see TMEP §§1207.01 et seq. See the attached registration.

Trademark Act Section 2(d) bars registration of an applied-for mark that so resembles a registered mark that it is likely a potential consumer would be confused, mistaken, or deceived as to the source of the goods and/or services of the applicant and registrant. See 15 U.S.C. §1052(d). A determination of likelihood of confusion under Section 2(d) is made on a case-by-case basis and the factors set forth in In re E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., 476 F.2d 1357, 1361, 177 USPQ 563, 567 (C.C.P.A. 1973) aid in this determination. Citigroup Inc. v. Capital City Bank Grp., Inc., 637 F.3d 1344, 1349, 98 USPQ2d 1253, 1256 (Fed. Cir. 2011) (citing On-Line Careline, Inc. v. Am. Online, Inc., 229 F.3d 1080, 1085, 56 USPQ2d 1471, 1474 (Fed. Cir. 2000)). Not all the du Pont factors, however, are necessarily relevant or of equal weight, and any one of the factors may control in a given case, depending upon the evidence of record. Citigroup Inc. v. Capital City Bank Grp., Inc., 637 F.3d at 1355, 98 USPQ2d at 1260; In re Majestic Distilling Co., 315 F.3d 1311, 1315, 65 USPQ2d 1201, 1204 (Fed. Cir. 2003); see In re E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., 476 F.2d at 1361-62, 177 USPQ at 567.

In this case, the following factors are the most relevant: similarity of the marks, similarity and nature of the goods and/or services, and similarity of the trade channels of the goods and/or services. *See In re Viterra Inc.*, 671 F.3d 1358, 1361-62, 101 USPQ2d 1905, 1908 (Fed. Cir. 2012); *In re Dakin's Miniatures Inc.*, 59 USPQ2d 1593, 1595-96 (TTAB 1999); TMEP §§1207.01 *et seq.*

For the following reasons, the examining attorney concludes that there exists a likelihood of confusion between applicant's proposed mark, SPARX PROTEIN (SN: 88861317) for "Biological preparations for the treatment of cancer using polypeptides and genetically engineered cells; pharmaceutical preparations for targeting tissues based on select tissue markers and ligands; pharmaceutical preparations for the purpose of binding ligands using engineered polypeptides and receptors; pharmaceutical preparations for immunotherapy using polypeptides and genetically engineered cells; pharmaceutical preparations for immune cell therapy using polypeptides and genetically engineered cells" and:

1. SPARK, for "biologic preparations for use in the diagnosis and treatment of retinal degenerative and hematologic disorders and diseases"

Similarity of the Marks

Marks are compared in their entireties for similarities in appearance, sound, connotation, and commercial impression. *Stone Lion Capital Partners, LP v. Lion Capital LLP*, 746 F.3d 1317, 1321, 110 USPQ2d 1157, 1160 (Fed. Cir. 2014) (quoting *Palm Bay Imps., Inc. v. Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin Maison Fondee En 1772*, 396 F.3d 1369, 1371, 73 USPQ2d 1689, 1691 (Fed. Cir. 2005)); TMEP §1207.01(b)-(b)(v). "Similarity in any one of these elements may be sufficient to find the marks confusingly similar." *In re Davia*, 110 USPQ2d 1810, 1812 (TTAB 2014) (citing *In re 1st USA Realty Prof'ls, Inc.*, 84 USPQ2d 1581, 1586 (TTAB 2007)); *In re White Swan Ltd.*, 8 USPQ2d 1534, 1535 (TTAB 1988)); TMEP §1207.01(b).

The applied-for mark is SPARX PROTEIN. The registered mark is SPARK. The marks are similar in terms of sound, connotation and overall commercial impression because they feature dominant terms that are phonetically the plural and singular of the same term and the remaining differences do not sufficiently distinguish the marks to avoid confusion.

When comparing marks, "[t]he proper test is not a side-by-side comparison of the marks, but instead whether the marks are sufficiently similar in terms of their commercial impression such that [consumers] who encounter the marks would be likely to assume a connection between the parties." *Cai v. Diamond Hong, Inc.*, 901 F.3d 1367, 1373, 127 USPQ2d 1797, 1801 (Fed. Cir. 2018) (quoting *Coach Servs., Inc. v. Triumph Learning LLC*, 668 F.3d 1356, 1368, 101 USPQ2d 1713, 1721 (Fed. Cir. 2012)); TMEP §1207.01(b). The proper focus is on the recollection of

the average purchaser, who retains a general rather than specific impression of trademarks. *In re Inn at St. John's, LLC*, 126 USPQ2d 1742, 1746 (TTAB 2018) (citing *In re St. Helena Hosp.*, 774 F.3d 747, 750-51, 113 USPQ2d 1082, 1085 (Fed. Cir. 2014); *Geigy Chem. Corp. v. Atlas Chem. Indus., Inc.*, 438 F.2d 1005, 1007, 169 USPQ 39, 40 (C.C.P.A. 1971)), *aff'd per curiam*, 777 F. App'x 516, 2019 BL 343921 (Fed. Cir. 2019); TMEP §1207.01(b).

Consumers are generally more inclined to focus on the first word, prefix, or syllable in any trademark or service mark. See Palm Bay Imps., Inc. v. Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin Maison Fondee En 1772, 396 F.3d 1369, 1372, 73 USPQ2d 1689, 1692 (Fed. Cir. 2005) (finding similarity between VEUVE ROYALE and two VEUVE CLICQUOT marks in part because "VEUVE . . . remains a 'prominent feature' as the first word in the mark and the first word to appear on the label"); Century 21 Real Estate Corp. v. Century Life of Am., 970 F.2d 874, 876, 23 USPQ2d 1698, 1700 (Fed Cir. 1992) (finding similarity between CENTURY 21 and CENTURY LIFE OF AMERICA in part because "consumers must first notice th[e] identical lead word"); see also In re Detroit Athletic Co., 903 F.3d 1297, 1303, 128 USPQ2d 1047, 1049 (Fed. Cir. 2018) (finding "the identity of the marks' two initial words is particularly significant because consumers typically notice those words first").

An applied-for mark that is the singular or plural form of a registered mark is essentially identical in sound, appearance, meaning, and commercial impression, and thus the marks are confusingly similar. Swiss Grill Ltd., v. Wolf Steel Ltd., 115 USPQ2d 2001, 2011 n.17 (TTAB 2015) (holding "it is obvious that the virtually identical marks [the singular and plural of SWISS GRILL] are confusingly similar"); Weider Publ'ns, LLC v. D & D Beauty Care Co., 109 USPQ2d 1347, 1355 (TTAB 2014) (finding the singular and plural forms of SHAPE to be essentially the same mark) (citing Wilson v. Delaunay, 245 F.2d 877, 878, 114 USPQ 339, 341 (C.C.P.A. 1957) (finding no material difference between the singular and plural forms of ZOMBIE such that the marks were considered the same mark). In this case the applied for mark's dominant element is a novel spelling of the plural of the registered mark.

Although marks are compared in their entireties, one feature of a mark may be more significant or dominant in creating a commercial impression. *See In re Detroit Athletic Co.*, 903 F.3d 1297, 1305, 128 USPQ2d 1047, 1050 (Fed. Cir. 2018) (citing *In re Dixie Rests.*, 105 F.3d 1405, 1407, 41 USPQ2d 1531, 1533-34 (Fed. Cir. 1997)); TMEP §1207.01(b)(viii), (c)(ii). Matter that is descriptive of or generic for a party's goods and/or services is typically less significant or less dominant in relation to other wording in a mark. *See Anheuser-Busch, LLC v. Innvopak Sys. Pty Ltd.*, 115 USPQ2d 1816, 1824-25 (TTAB 2015) (citing *In re Chatam Int'l Inc.*, 380 F.3d 1340, 1342-43, 71 USPQ2d 1944, 1946 (Fed. Cir. 2004)).

In the present case, the attached evidence shows that the wording PROTEIN in the applied-for mark is merely descriptive of or generic for applicant's goods. Thus, this wording is less significant in terms of affecting the mark's commercial impression, and renders the wording SPARX the more dominant element of the mark.

Accordingly giving appropriate weight to each feature of the marks, the marks when considered in their entireties are sufficiently similar to create consumer confusion or mistake as to the source of the goods.

Relatedness of the Goods

The goods and/or services of the parties need not be identical or even competitive to find a likelihood of confusion. *See On-line Careline Inc. v. Am. Online Inc.*, 229 F.3d 1080, 1086, 56 USPQ2d 1471, 1475 (Fed. Cir. 2000); *Recot, Inc. v. Becton*, 214 F.3d 1322, 1329, 54 USPQ2d 1894, 1898 (Fed. Cir. 2000) ("[E]ven if the goods in question are different from, and thus not related to, one another in kind, the same goods can be related in the mind of the consuming public as to the origin of the goods."); TMEP §1207.01(a)(i).

The respective goods and/or services need only be "related in some manner and/or if the circumstances surrounding their marketing [be] such that they could give rise to the mistaken belief that [the goods and/or services] emanate from the same source." *Coach Servs., Inc. v. Triumph Learning LLC*, 668 F.3d 1356, 1369, 101 USPQ2d 1713, 1722 (Fed. Cir. 2012) (quoting 7-Eleven Inc. v. Wechsler, 83 USPQ2d 1715, 1724 (TTAB 2007)); TMEP §1207.01(a)(i).

The trademark examining attorney has attached evidence from the USPTO's X-Search database consisting of a number of third-party marks registered for use in connection with the same or similar goods and/or services as those of both applicant and registrant in this case. This evidence shows that the goods and/or services listed therein, namely pharmaceutical preparations and biological preparations for treating similar issues are offered under the same mark. In this case owing to the very broad nature of the second and third clauses in the identification the goods of the parties are deemed to be related because the applicant's goods could be used in the same field of use to treat the same kinds of issues, and are therefore of a kind that may emanate from a single source under a single mark. *See In re I-Coat Co.*, 126 USPQ2d 1730, 1737 (TTAB 2018) (citing *In re Infinity Broad. Corp.*, 60 USPQ2d 1214, 1217-18 (TTAB 2001); *In re Albert Trostel & Sons Co.*, 29 USPQ2d 1783, 1785-86 (TTAB 1993); *In re Mucky Duck Mustard Co.*, 6 USPQ2d 1467, 1470 n.6 (TTAB 1988)); TMEP §1207.01(d)(iii).

Further, the attached Internet evidence, consisting of third party websites, establishes that the same entity commonly manufactures, produces, or provides the relevant goods and markets the goods under the same mark. The attached evidence shows that many different biologics and pharmaceuticals are made under the same mark and are marketed in the same manner. Thus, applicant's and registrant's goods and/or services are considered related for likelihood of confusion purposes. *See, e.g., In re Davey Prods. Pty Ltd.*, 92 USPQ2d 1198, 1202-04 (TTAB 2009); *In*

re Toshiba Med. Sys. Corp., 91 USPQ2d 1266, 1268-69, 1271-72 (TTAB 2009).

Other Considerations

The Trademark Act not only guards against the misimpression that the senior user is the source of a junior user's goods and/or services, but it also protects against "reverse confusion," where a significantly larger or prominent junior user is perceived as the source of a smaller, senior user's goods and/or services such that the "senior user may experience diminution or even loss of its mark's identity and goodwill due to extensive use of a confusingly similar mark by the junior user" for related goods and/or services. *In re i.am.symbolic, llc*, 866 F.3d 1315, 1329, 123 USPQ2d 1744, 1752 (Fed. Cir. 2017) (quoting *In re Shell Oil Co.*, 992 F.2d 1204, 1208, 26 USPQ2d 1687, 1690 (Fed. Cir. 1993)); *Fisons Horticulture, Inc. v. Vigoro Indust., Inc.*, 30 F.3d 466, 474-75, 31 USPQ2d 1592, 1597-98 (3d Cir. 1994).

The overriding concern is not only to prevent buyer confusion as to the source of the goods and/or services, but to protect the registrant from adverse commercial impact due to use of a similar mark by a newcomer. *See In re Shell Oil Co.*, 992 F.2d 1204, 1208, 26 USPQ2d 1687, 1690 (Fed. Cir. 1993). Therefore, any doubt regarding a likelihood of confusion determination is resolved in favor of the registrant. TMEP §1207.01(d)(i); *see Hewlett-Packard Co. v. Packard Press, Inc.*, 281 F.3d 1261, 1265, 62 USPQ2d 1001, 1003 (Fed. Cir. 2002); *In re Hyper Shoppes (Ohio), Inc.*, 837 F.2d 463, 464-65, 6 USPQ2d 1025, 1026 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

Accordingly, use of SPARX PROTEIN and SPARK on the identified goods is likely to lead to consumer confusion or mistake as to the source of the goods.

Accordingly, applicant is refused registration under Section 2(d) of the Trademark Act.

PRIOR-FILED APPLICATION(S)

The filing dates of pending U.S. Application Serial Nos. 86676794, 86676795, 86732292, 86732294, 86732294, 86732318, 87312892, and 87312895 precede applicant's filing date. See attached referenced applications. If one or more of the marks in the referenced applications register, applicant's mark may be refused registration under Trademark Act Section 2(d) because of a likelihood of confusion with the registered mark(s). *See* 15 U.S.C. §1052(d); 37 C.F.R. §2.83; TMEP §§1208 *et seq.* Therefore, upon receipt of applicant's response to this Office action, action on this application may be suspended pending final disposition of the earlier-filed referenced applications.

In response to this Office action, applicant may present arguments in support of registration by addressing the issue of the potential conflict between applicant's mark and the marks in the referenced applications. Applicant's election not to submit arguments at this time in no way limits applicant's right to address this issue later if a refusal under Section 2(d) issues.

Although applicant's mark has been refused registration, applicant may respond to the refusal(s) by submitting evidence and arguments in support of registration. However, if applicant responds to the refusal(s), applicant must also respond to the requirement(s) set forth below.

DISCLAIMER REQUIRED

Applicant must disclaim the wording "PROTEIN" because it is merely descriptive of an ingredient, quality, characteristic, function, feature, purpose, or use of applicant's goods and/or services. *See* 15 U.S.C. §1052(e)(1); *DuoProSS Meditech Corp. v. Inviro Med. Devices, Ltd.*, 695 F.3d 1247, 1251, 103 USPQ2d 1753, 1755 (Fed. Cir. 2012); TMEP §§1213, 1213.03(a).

In the context of the goods the attached evidence from internet dictionaries shows the wording PROTEIN means "[a]ny of a class of nitrogenous organic compounds that consist of large molecules composed of one or more long chains of amino acids and are an essential part of all living organisms, especially as structural components of body tissues such as muscle, hair, collagen, etc., and as enzymes and antibodies." The goods feature biological and pharmaceutical preparations. Further attached evidence from the applicant's website shows that one of the main components of the applicant's treatment are proteins. Thus, the wording merely describes applicant's goods because a primary characteristic/feature of the goods are proteins and therefore must be disclaimed.

Applicant may respond to this issue by submitting a disclaimer in the following format:

No claim is made to the exclusive right to use "PROTEIN" apart from the mark as shown.

For an overview of disclaimers and instructions on how to provide one using the Trademark Electronic Application System (TEAS), see the <u>Disclaimer webpage</u>.

IDENTIFICATION OF GOODS

The wording "pharmaceutical preparations for targeting tissues based on select tissue markers and ligands; pharmaceutical preparations for the purpose of binding ligands using engineered polypeptides and receptors" in the identification of goods is indefinite and must be clarified because the two clauses do not note what malady is specifically being treated and/or the particular field of medicine the goods are being used in. *See* 37 C.F.R. §2.32(a)(6); TMEP §1402.01. Applicant may substitute the following wording, if accurate: "Biological preparations for the treatment of cancer using polypeptides and genetically engineered cells; pharmaceutical preparations for targeting tissues based on select tissue markers and ligands for use in {please specify the field of use, e.g. oncology, urology, dermatology, immunotherapy}; pharmaceutical preparations for the purpose of binding ligands using engineered polypeptides and receptors for use in {please specify the field of use, e.g. oncology, urology, dermatology, immunotherapy}; pharmaceutical preparations for immunotherapy using polypeptides and genetically engineered cells; pharmaceutical preparations for immune cell therapy using polypeptides and genetically engineered cells."

Applicant may amend the identification to clarify or limit the goods and/or services, but not to broaden or expand the goods and/or services beyond those in the original application or as acceptably amended. *See* 37 C.F.R. §2.71(a); TMEP §1402.06. Generally, any deleted goods and/or services may not later be reinserted. *See* TMEP §1402.07(e).

For assistance with identifying and classifying goods and services in trademark applications, please see the USPTO's online searchable <u>U.S.</u>

Acceptable Identification of Goods and Services Manual. See TMEP §1402.04.

RESPONSE GUIDELINES

Please call or email the assigned trademark examining attorney with questions about this Office action. Although an examining attorney cannot provide legal advice, the examining attorney can provide additional explanation about the refusal(s) and/or requirement(s) in this Office action. *See* TMEP §\$705.02, 709.06.

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DESIGN MARK

Serial Number

86068955

Status

REGISTERED

Word Mark

SPARK

Standard Character Mark

Yes

Registration Number

5068997

Date Registered

2016/10/25

Type of Mark

TRADEMARK

Register

PRINCIPAL

Mark Drawing Code

(4) STANDARD CHARACTER MARK

Owner

SPARK THERAPEUTICS, INC. CORPORATION DELAWARE 3737 Market Street, Suite 1300 PHILADELPHIA PENNSYLVANIA 19104

Goods/Services

Class Status -- ACTIVE. IC 005. US 006 018 044 046 051 052. G & S: biologic preparations for use in the diagnosis and treatment of retinal degenerative and hematologic disorders and diseases. First Use: 2014/02/00. First Use In Commerce: 2014/02/00.

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DESIGN MARK

Serial Number

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Status

OPPOSITION PENDING

Word Mark

SPARC

Standard Character Mark

Yes

Type of Mark

SERVICE MARK

Register

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(4) STANDARD CHARACTER MARK

Owner

SUN PHARMA ADVANCED RESEARCH COMPANY LTD LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY INDIA 17-B, MAHAL INDUSTRIAL AREA Off- MAHAKALI CAVES ROAD, ANDHERI (East) CHAKALA, MUMBAI 400093 INDIA

Goods/Services

Class Status -- ACTIVE. IC 042. US 100 101. G & S: Medical research; Pharmaceutical research and development; Pharmaceutical research services.

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Translation Statement

The wording "SPARC" has no meaning in a foreign language.

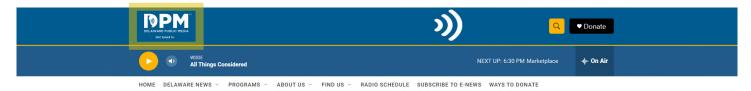
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NPR Headlines

First Gene Therapy For Inherited Disease Gets FDA Approval



This Food and Drug Administration approved Luxturna, a gene therapy developed by Spark Therapeutics, to treat an inherited form of blindness

The Food and Drug Administration Tuesday approved the first gene therapy to treat an inherited disease.

The treatment is called Luxturna, a genetically modified virus that ferries a healthy gene into the eyes of patients born with retinal dystrophy, a rare condition that destroys cells in the retina needed for healthy vision.

In tests on patients, the treatment often produced dramatic results, restoring the ability of patients to see things they could never see before, such as the stars, the moon, fireworks and their parents' faces.

The treatment also enabled patients to do many things that had been impossible, such as read, play sports, ride bicycles and go outside at night by themselves.

"Today's approval marks another first in the field of gene therapy," said FDA Commission Scott Gottlieb in a statement announcing the decision. "This milestone reinforces the potential of this breakthrough approach in treating a wide range of challenging discoors."

The approval marks the latest development in the rapidly moving field of gene therapy, which for years was mired in disappointments and disasters.

In August, the FDA approved Kymriah, the first gene-therapy product to treat a form of leukemia. A second gene-based treatment, called Yescarta, was approved for a form of lymphoma in October.

Gene therapy is showing promise for many other conditions.

Despite the rising enthusiasm for the approach, there are still some concerns. They include the safety of some of the treatments and the cost. The first gene therapy product costs \$475,000 per patient.

Spark Therapeutics, which makes Luxturna, hasn't said how much it will charge. But there is a widespread expectation that it could cost at least \$1 million to treat each patient.

"I think the price tag will be enormous — 20 or 30 times the annual wages of the typical American," says Dr. Peter Bach, director of the Center for Health Policy and Outcomes at the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.

"For rare conditions like this, the question we need to ask ourselves is exactly how much wealth should be transferred from society to the investors in these companies," Bach says. "Without addressing that we are just letting the investors decide how much they can take."

The FDA's decision to approve Luxturna follows a unanimous recommendation in its favor by an advisory committee in October.

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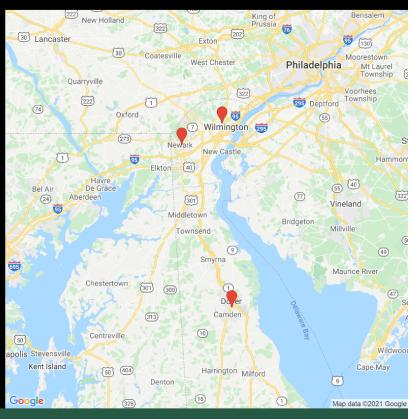
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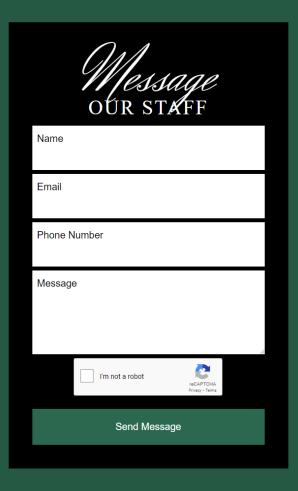




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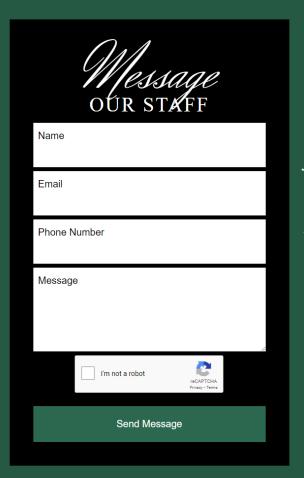
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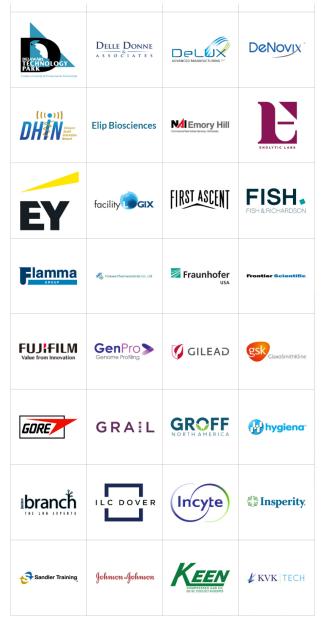
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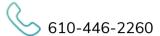
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- Eye infections, including a serious infection inside of the eye called endophthalmitis, that may lead to blindness.
- Permanent decline in visual acuity, or the sharpness of central vision.
- Changes in the retina (the thin layer of tissue in the back of the eye) that can lead to vision loss including:
 - development of a hole, thinning, or loss of function of the retina, separation of the layers in the center of the retina, or bleeding in the retina.
 - o breaks in or wrinkling on the surface of the retina or detachment of the retina.
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- Redness of the eye
- Cataract (clouding of the lens inside of the eye)
- Increased pressure inside of the eye
- Breaks in the retina
- Dellen (thinning of the clear layer in the front of the eye)
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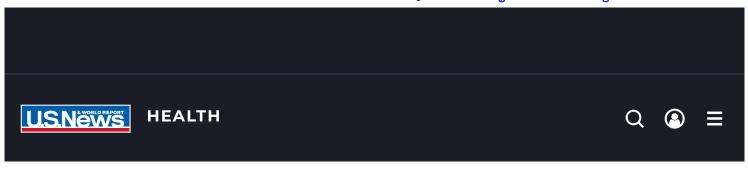
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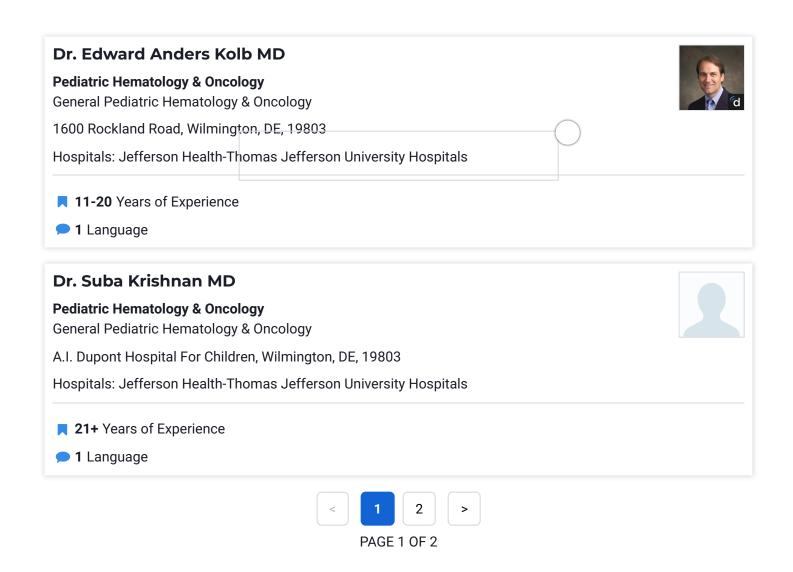
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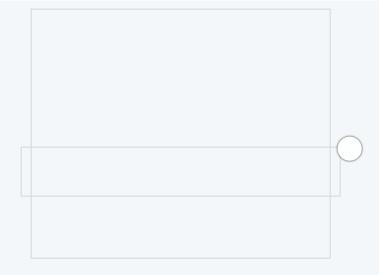






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